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MEMORANDUM FOR:

Deputy Director, OMS

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FROM:

Health Services Unit Nurse

SUBJECT:

COHN Certification

1. The American Board for Occupational Health Nurses (ABOHN) released the new listing of Certified Occupational Health Nurses (COHN) this week. I thought you would be interested in some statistics since you have been instrumental in inspiring Agency nurses to work toward certification.

2. This year the exam was administered on April 23rd at 5 sites: New Orleans, San Francisco, Newark, Downer's Grove, Ill., and Charlotte, N. C. Three hundred thirty six (336) candidates sat for this examination; 256 passed. I included these numbers to show that it isn't easy to pass.

3. In Virginia, the entire state has 103 active COHNs; Maryland has 51 and the District of Columbia only 6. At the Central Intelligence Agency, we have 8 from Virginia and one from Maryland -- a full 5 1/2% of the area OHNS.

4. Since ABOHN began in 1973 over 4,000 nurses have been certified. Presently there are 2,304 active COHNs nationwide. It is a testimony to the interest CIA has in attracting and retaining well qualified people that we employ 9 of them.

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